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The Warm Weather Prophet.

BY G. C. K.
A fellow down in old Miss-zoo
Forecast a winter mild:
This made the ice man somewhat blue—
'Twas seldom that he smiled.

We'll have a pleasant, balmy year,
No heavy wear to buy;
No snow and ice to interfere,
Said that warm weather "guy."

No wood to cut, there'll be a chance
To live at ease and rest;
Yes, winter in our summer pants,
They'll stand the winter's test.

But now that prophet's made a sneak,
The ice man wears a smile;
The ice and snow have drifted deep
About the prophet's pile.

Of wood, 'tis there he takes a glance,
While shivering in the cold,
Dressed in his worn out summer pants,
So threadbare and so old.

He swears he never will forecast
A winter warm and fair;
He longs for spring to come—and fast;
He fears his pants will tear.

Ere winter dreads and icy goes,
He'll have to buy a pair
Of heavy ones, my friends, he knows,
Which will the cold impair.

I met him just the other day,
His mighty cold, "Gee Whizz!"
These are the words I heard him say:
"I'll quit the weather 'biz'."

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by Arcadia Valley Drug Co.

Letter From Hon. W. D. Vandiver.

Ed. Register:—In this week's edition of your paper I notice an article criticizing my position in the Governorship race, and especially my attitude on the Butler case. As you have generally been fair-minded and have spoken of me in very friendly terms in your columns, I feel that you will not deny me a brief hearing in them now. In fact I have so often found you on the right side of public questions that I am somewhat surprised to find you on the wrong side of the Governorship fight. If you were specially in favor of some particular candidate and merely advocating his cause, it would not be so strange, but as your whole fight seems to be negative, merely to beat Folk, and not to champion any particular candidate, many of your old friends are at a loss to understand you.

I cannot believe that you are irritated with Mr. Folk simply because of the exposure of Senator Frank Farris, whose cause you so ably espoused in the last campaign. Neither can I believe that it is merely because Mr. Folk has prosecuted Butler and the other hoodlums, although your criticism of Folk in this connection would lead a stranger to believe that you were feeling aggrieved at the prosecutor. I say that I am surprised because you are too good a man to be found in the company you are in. And your paper has so often stood up for right and justice, it is a mystery to many of its readers that it has turned its guns against good government, as represented by Joseph W. Folk, who, in my humble judgment, has done more for the cause of good government in the last three years than any other man in America.

But the particular point to which I call your attention now is the Butler case in Congress. Your paper, quoting from the Nevada Mail, charges me with inconsistency because I excuse Mr. Folk for declining to vote for Butler for Congress, when I myself voted to keep him in Congress when his seat was contested here. Now in all fairness, I know you are too clear-headed a man to consider that an inconsistency, because the question at issue when Butler was a candidate for election in St. Louis was the original question of fitness; while the question presented to me as a member of Congress, voting in a contested election case, had not to do with the fitness of the man, but only as to whether he was elected or not.

As a Democrat, I believe that each State is entitled to elect its Congressmen in its own way. I voted for Butler to retain his seat because I believed that his district had elected him, and I will vote the same way again if the present contest comes to a vote in the House, unless the evidence is sufficient to convince me that he was not elected, and I say frankly that if the people of that district elect the devil himself they are entitled to have that kind of representation, but whether I would vote to elect him if I were a citizen of that district is entirely a different thing. Perhaps I would if I found

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his name on the ticket, as I am one of those kind usually designated as the "Yellow Dog Democrat."

But even then it would be a different question from the one Mr. Folk had to determine. He was prosecuting one of the Butlers as a hoodlum. To have voted for the other as a Congressman, and especially to have appeared on the platform in his support would have given opportunity to introduce politics into the trial of the case set for the week following the election, and there was no more reason why Mr. Folk, the prosecuting attorney in the case, should be expected to champion his cause, than there was for asking the judge on the bench who was to try the case to do the same thing.

Mr. Folk was in a delicate position, and all fair-minded people must give him the credit of having managed this contest with great skill, because if there had been the least possibility of bringing politics into court I doubt whether any of the hoodlums would have been convicted.

Allow me also, Mr. Editor, in the goodness of your nature, to add one other statement. I am not supporting Mr. Folk because I have any personal interests at stake. I am not getting a cent, or the promise of reward in any way whatever, but I believe the Democratic party of Missouri ought to take advantage of the work he has done, and the reputation he has made, and nominate the man who would add strength to the ticket and reputation to the State.

In my humble judgment, Folk's name at the head of the ticket would be worth at least 20,000 votes to the party in Missouri. If I had not felt this way I would have been a candidate myself, and I feel sure you would have given me your support.

As I have some friends in your county, who might have been misled by your other article, I hope you will not decline to let them see this one.

Yours, Truly,
W. D. VANDIVER.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19, 1904.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruptions and Piles. 25c at Arcadia Valley Drug Co.

Money For Missouri.

State Auditor Albert O. Allen is in receipt from Senator Cookrell of the following copy of a letter addressed by the acting secretary of the treasury to the president of the United States senate in regard to the claim of this state for interest paid on Union Military bonds, etc., prepared and forwarded to Senator Cookrell on December 1, and from which it appears that the claim was made out correctly and that the proper evidence in support

of it was submitted by Auditor Allen.

Treasury Department, Office of the Secretary, Washington, Dec. 18, 1903.—Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the resolution of the senate of December 12, 1903, as follows:

"Resolved, That the secretary of the treasury report to the senate what amount, if any, would be due to the state of Missouri on account of interest and other incidental expenses paid in connection with the loans procured in raising troops to aid the United States in suppression of the rebellion, 1861-65, if the claim were allowed under the same principles and rules of evidence allowed in claims of the states Indiana, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and other states, settled under the provisions of the act of July 27, 1861, and joint resolution of March 8, 1862, as directed by act of February 14, 1902 (32 Stat. L., 30).

In reply thereto I have the honor to state that the auditor of the war department reports under date of the 17th inst., that upon examination of the claim of the state of Missouri on file in his office it is found that if the claim were allowed under the same principles and rules of evidence applied in claims of other states under the provisions of the act of July 27, 1861, as amended there would be due the state of Missouri the sum of \$175,198.13.

Respectfully,
H. A. TAYLOR,
Acting Secretary.

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Shaforth, Butler, Reynolds.

John F. Shaforth, Silver Republican member of Congress from the Denver district, did something that so astonished his Republican associates that they have not yet caught their respective breaths.

Mr. Shaforth has served four terms and was elected for the fifth. His opponent, however, contested and the matter was being heard by one of the election committees.

The ground of the contest was that fraud had been perpetrated in many of the election precincts.

On the face of the returns Mr. Shaforth had a majority of 2,792.

After examining the ballots put in evidence Mr. Shaforth came to the conclusion that there had been fraud—not enough to defeat him, but enough to taint his election.

He therefore, in a speech before the House, declined to hold his seat and advised the seating of his opponent.

He was in no way responsible for the perpetration of the fraud and was not even aware that it had been committed until the evidence had been adduced before the elections committee.

Is it any wonder that Mr. Shaforth's action astounded the Republicans?

They were so dazed that they could not recover in time to congratulate the retiring member. Their action was in significant contrast to that of the Democrats, who, the report says, "arose almost en masse and extended personal expressions of sympathy and encouragement."

Who ever heard of a straightout Republican Congressman doing such a thing as Shaforth did?

Whoever heard of one of them refusing to accept a seat because of a little thing like fraud?

On the contrary, we know that partisan elections committees have fraudulently seated Republican contestants against honestly elected Democrats.

The Shaforth incident is especially interesting to St. Louisans just now by virtue of the Reynolds-Butler contest. Every person in St. Louis, including George D. Reynolds, knows that James J. Butler was fairly and squarely elected as Congressman from the Twelfth Missouri District.

In view of the Shaforth incident, will the Republican majority in Congress dare repeat its previous outrages and unseat Mr. Butler?

Has the Shaforth case no lesson for George D. Reynolds?

Americans are proud of John F. Shaforth because he proved himself a thoroughly honest man.—St. Louis World.

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Republican Mass Meeting.

Pursuant to a call of the Republican State Committee, a Mass Convention of the Republicans of Iron county is hereby called to meet at the court house at Ironton, Iron county, Mo., at 1:30 P. M., Saturday, March 5, 1904, for the purpose of electing two delegates and two alternates to the Republican State Convention, to be held at Kansas City, Mo., March 22, 1904, for the purpose of electing four delegates at large and four alternates to the National Republican Convention, to be held at Chicago, Ill., on June 21, 1904.

Also to elect four delegates and four alternates to a Congressional Convention of the 13th Congressional District, to be held later at a time and place to be fixed by the Congressional Committee.

All Republican electors and all who are willing to act with the Republican party are requested to attend. The County Committee will at the same time and place elect a secretary.

W. T. GAY,
Ch'm'n Republican Co. Com.

Cured Consumption.

Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes: "My husband lay sick for three months; the doctors stated he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup and it cured him. That was six years ago, and since then we always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds, it has no equal." 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottle at Arcadia Valley Drug Co.

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NOTICE OF LETTERS.

Notice is hereby given, that Letters of Administration upon the estate of John G. Yount, late of Iron county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, Mrs. Emma J. Yount, Administratrix, by the Judge of the Probate Court of the county of Iron, bearing date the 13th day of February, 1904.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefits of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

EMMA J. YOUNT,
Administratrix.

Ironton, Mo., Feb. 10, 1904.

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